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BY HAND

Richard M. Berman
United States District Judge
For the Southern District Of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York

Re: United States v. Robert Laws
Crim. Dkt. 07 Cr. ~~529~~ (RMB)

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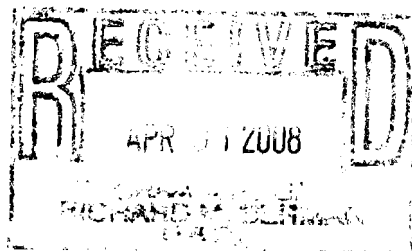
The Hon. Berman

MEMO ENDORSED

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I am writing to request for an adjournment of the April 1, 2008, status conference on the above matter. I make this request as the parties are trying to work out a disposition on this case, and the case involves complex plea negotiations given Mr. Laws' state cases and the facts of the instant case. I ask the court to adjourn the status conference to April 21, 2008. AUSA Feldman has no objection to this request.

To that end, we request that the time between April 1, 2008 and the next date set by the Court, be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, section 3161(h)(8)(A). Excluding time will best serve the ends of justice and outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will allow the government and defense counsel to continue discussions regarding a possible disposition in the matter. Thank you.



cc: AUSA Feldman
Robert Laws, MDC

Respectfully submitted

Sabrina B. Shroff

Adjournment is
granted. Conference is
scheduled for 4-21-08
at 3:30 p.m. Time is
excluded pursuant to the Speedy
Trial Act for the reasons set forth
in this letter.

SO ORDERED:

Date: 4-1-08

Richard M. Berman, U.S.D.J.